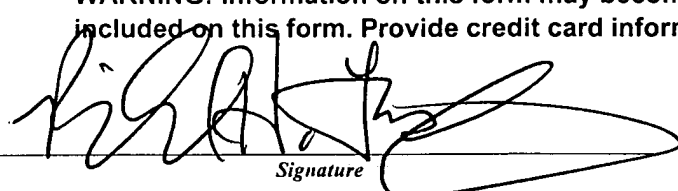


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> (Large Entity)					Docket No. 66489-055-7	
In Re Application Of: Thomas BIERBAUM et al.						
Application No. 10/539,004	Filing Date 6/15/2005	Examiner SINGH, S. K.	Customer No. 25269	Group Art Unit 3732	Confirmation No. 9457	
Invention: DENTAL HAND INSTRUMENT COMPRISING COMPONENTS WHICH  CAN BE DISPLACED IN RELATION TO EACH OTHER						
<u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>						
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>8/13/2007</u> in the above-identified application. <div style="text-align:center"><i>Date</i></div>						
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): <div style="display:flex; justify-content:space-between;"><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Two months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Three months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Four months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Five months</div></div> <div style="display:flex; justify-content:space-between; margin-top:10px;"><div>from: <u>11/13/2007</u> <div style="text-align:center"><i>Date</i></div></div><div>until: <u>12/13/2007</u> <div style="text-align:center"><i>Date</i></div></div></div>						
The fee for the extension of time is \$120 and is to be paid as follows: <div style="margin-top:10px;"><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-2223 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 04-2223 <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</div> <div style="margin-top:10px;"><b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b></div> <div style="display:flex; justify-content:space-between; align-items: flex-end; margin-top:20px;"><div style="text-align:center;"> <i>Signature</i> RICHARD H. TUSHIN, Reg.#27,297</div><div style="text-align:right;">Dated: Dec. 13, 2007</div></div>						
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